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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
NAKADE; KAMEYAMA) Group Art Unit: 1615
Serial No. 10/078,402) Examiner: B. FUBARA
Filed: February 21, 2002)

For: **METAL OXIDE-ORGANOPOLYSILOXANE HYBRID POWDER AND A
METHOD FOR THE PREPARATION THEREOF AND A COSMETIC
COMPOSITION THEREWITH**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Official Action bearing a mail date of April 23, 2003. The one-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on May 23, 2003. Accordingly, this response is timely filed along with a one month extension of time.

In view of the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw the pending restriction requirement.